

**MINUTES OF THE
TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, May 19, 2004 – 9:00 a.m. – Legacy Parkway Site Visit

Members Present:

Sen. Sheldon L. Killpack, Senate Chair
Rep. Joseph G. Murray, House Chair
Sen. John W. Hickman
Rep. Don E. Bush
Rep. David Clark
Rep. Marda Dillree
Rep. John Dougall
Rep. James A. Dunnigan
Rep. James A. Ferrin
Rep. Neil A. Hansen
Rep. Brad King
Rep. Todd E. Kiser
Rep. Rebecca Lockhart
Rep. Ty McCartney

Members Absent:

Sen. Dan R. Eastman
President Al Mansell
Sen. Ed P. Mayne
Rep. Calvin G. Bird

Staff Present:

Mr. Benjamin N. Christensen, Policy Analyst
Ms. Shannon C. Halverson, Associate General Counsel
Ms. Tracey Fredman, Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present and a copy of materials can be found at <http://le.utah.gov> or by contacting the committee secretary, Tracey Fredman, at 538-1032.

Legacy Parkway Site Visit

At 9:00 a.m. three vans met committee members, staff, and ten visitors at the front steps of the Capitol Building for a site visit of the Legacy Parkway. A "Legacy Parkway Fact Sheet" was distributed and referred to during the tour. UDOT (The Utah Department of Transportation) conducted the site visit which included driving over portions of the right-of-way and visiting the nature preserve and the improvement to Park Lane. Mr. John Njord, Executive Director, UDOT, Mr. Carlos Braceras, Deputy Director, UDOT, and Mr. Andrew Gemperline, Project Director, Legacy Parkway, were the guides in the three vans and provided background information and an update of the project. Mr. Rick Campagna, UDOT Engineer, Mr. Todd Jensen, UDOT Engineer, and Mr. Joe Walker, Legacy Team Communications, were drivers.

The guides reported that the 14-mile, two-lane stretch of highway will include an adjacent bicycle/equestrian/walking path and the creation of a 2,098-acre Legacy Nature Preserve. They explained that the project was only about 33 percent completed because of an injunction issued by the U.S. 10th Circuit Court of Appeals, November 16, 2001, which ordered further environmental analysis by the Federal Highway Administration and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. They said a supplemental environmental impact statement is expected to be ready for public circulation in the fall of this year and the earliest the department is expected to have a record of decision from the Army Corps of Engineers and the Federal Highway Administration is the spring of 2005.

The vans returned to the capitol at 11:50 a.m.

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